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Examiner: Y. Kim

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Title: METHOD AND SYSTEM FOR QUANTIFICATION OF VIRAL LOAD USING MICROARRAYS

RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

Assistant Commissioner for Patents

Washington, DC 20231

Sir/Madam:

In response to the Office Action dated July 3, 2001, Applicant submits the following:

IN THE SPECIFICATION

Please insert the following statement prior the Field of the Invention, -- Related Application, This application is a Continuation-in-Part of U.S. Patent Application Ser. No. 09/253,791 of Sandeep Gulati entitled "Method and Apparatus for Exponentially Convergent Therapy Effectiveness Monitoring Using DNA Microarray Based Viral Load Measurements" filed February 22, 1999 --.